











King Street Corridor Improvements

25% Design Public Hearing – MassDOT Proj. # 607502 City of Northampton, MA September 25, 2018

Agenda

- Project History
- Project Goals
- Existing Conditions
- Proposed Conditions
- Questions



Project History

- Corridor Study 2003
 Study looked at road diet, vehicular congestion, economic development opportunities, aesthetic updates
- Follow-up Study & City Design Charrette 2011
 Layout changes, improvement recommendations
 Outcome was a master plan for lower & upper King Street (incl. other areas)
- Project Initiation 2013
 PNF/PIF forms submitted by City to apply for funding through MassDOT
- Commence Preliminary Design Fall 2016
- Pre-25% Submission to MassDOT Jan. 2017
- 25% Submission to MassDOT April 2017
 Utility Meetings, Comment Resolutions Spring 2018



Project Goals

We must take a "Complete Streets" approach

Update Pedestrian & Bicycle Accommodations

Reduce Corridor Peak Hour Congestion

Improve Safety for all users

Extend the urban context of Downtown to Upper King Street

Provide sustainable methods of treating storm water when possible

Minor landscape/enhancements and tree belt

Replace obsolete traffic equipment

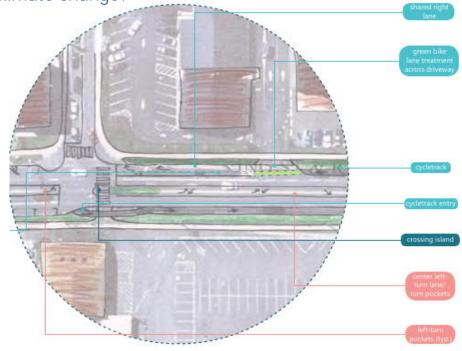
Improve pavement condition and extend service life

Transportation Equity

The ability to contextually accommodate all modes of transportation, users, ages

Planning for the future

Is the design sustainable, both for traffic projections and climate change?









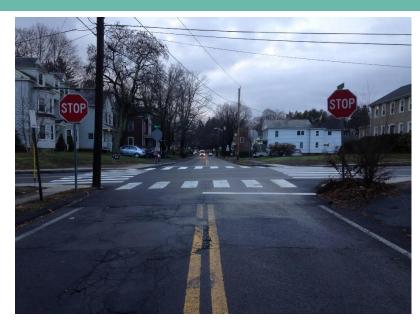


- Current Traffic Volumes 2015 – 15,575 vpd 2035 – 19,004 vpd
- Accident History throughout corridor
- "Left turn Trap" at Summer/North
- Lack of bike network connectivity
- ADA compliance













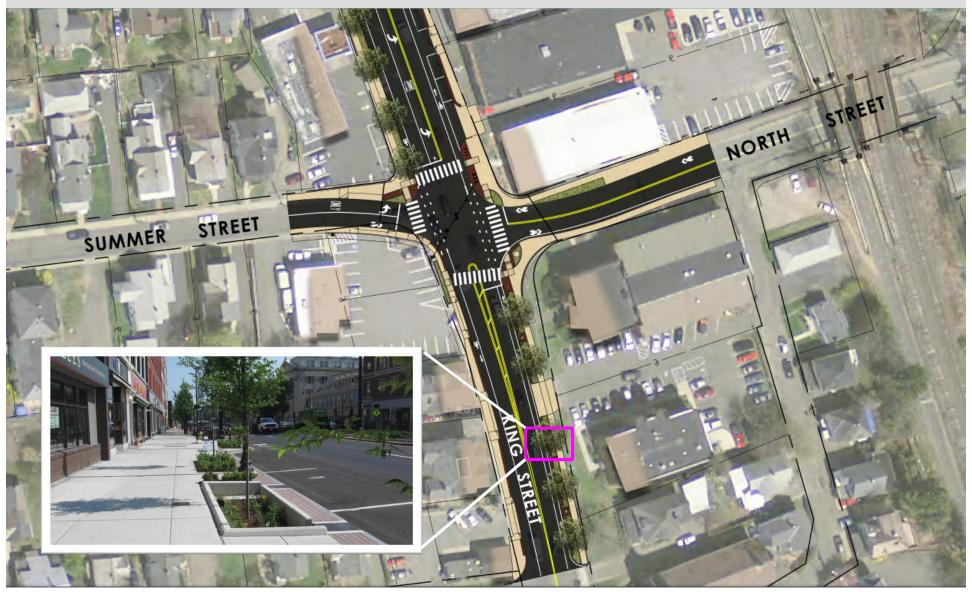




Current Estimated <u>Construction</u> Cost \$2.6M

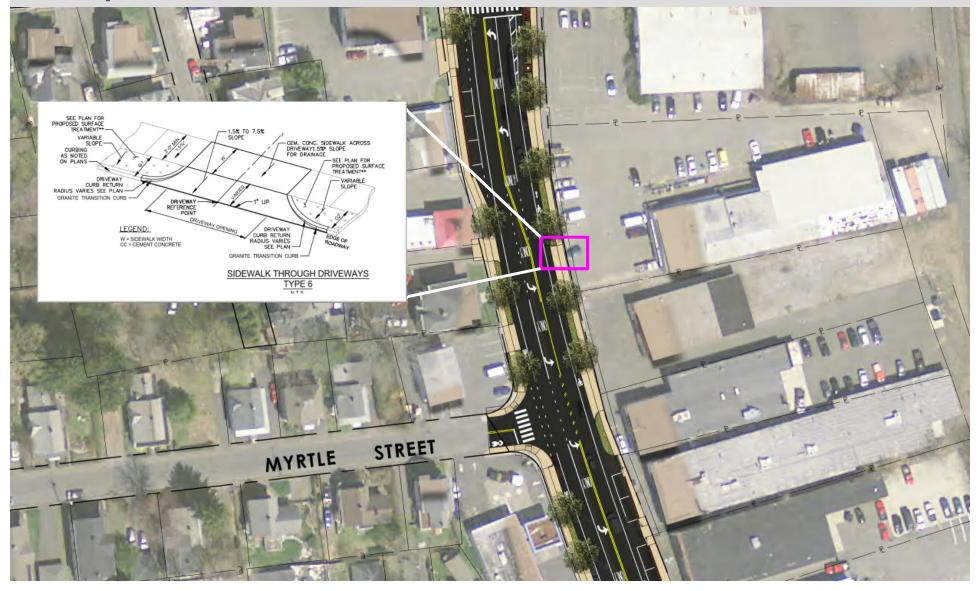
Current Estimated <u>Total Project</u> Cost \$3.4M (Includes Utility Relocations, Police Detail, Construction Contingencies)





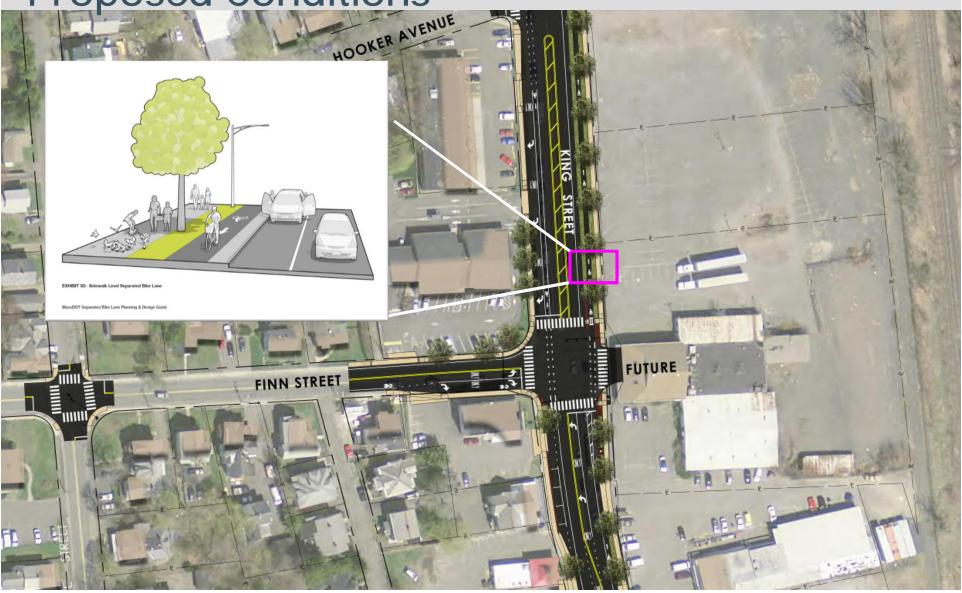






King Street – Between Summer and Finn Road diet, turn lanes into businesses, on-street parking, bike lanes, sidewalks, fix driveway aprons





King/Finn Intersection

Accommodation for Future Development (Turn Lanes), Separated bike lane, tree belt, rain garden, signal timing improvements (coordination)





Project Limit
Addition of safer merge condition, connection to Northampton Bikeway





Finn/State Intersection

New traffic signal installation, pedestrian countdown timers, new wheelchair ramps



Feedback?

